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Referred to Committee on Labor and Public Employees

Introduced by: (LAB)

AN ACT CONCERNING DISCRIMINATORY LABOR PRACTICES AND THE DEADLINE FOR FILING COMPLAINTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 46a-82 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):
- 3 (a) Any person claiming to be aggrieved by an alleged
 - discriminatory practice, except for an alleged violation of section 4a-
- 5 60g or 46a-68 or the provisions of sections 46a-68c to 46a-68f, inclusive,
- 6 may, by himself or herself or by such person's attorney, make, sign and
- 7 file with the commission a complaint in writing under oath, which
- 8 shall state the name and address of the person alleged to have
- 9 committed the discriminatory practice, and which shall set forth the
- 10 particulars thereof and contain such other information as may be
- 11 required by the commission. After the filing of a complaint pursuant to
- 12 this subsection, the commission shall serve upon the person claiming
- 13 to be aggrieved a notice that: (1) Acknowledges receipt of the
- 14 complaint; and (2) advises of the time frames and choice of forums
- 15 available under this chapter.

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- 16 (b) The commission, whenever it has reason to believe that any 17 person has been engaged or is engaged in a discriminatory practice, 18 may issue a complaint, except for a violation of subsection (a) of 19 section 46a-80.
- (c) The commission, whenever it has reason to believe that any contractor or subcontractor is not complying with antidiscrimination statutes or contract provisions required under section 4a-60, 4a-60a or 4a-60g or the provisions of sections 46a-68c to 46a-68f, inclusive, may issue a complaint.
 - (d) The commission may issue a complaint if: (1) An affirmative action plan filed pursuant to section 46a-68 is in violation of any of the provisions of section 4-61u or 4-61w, sections 46a-54 to 46a-64, inclusive, section 46a-64c or sections 46a-70 to 46a-78, inclusive; or (2) an agency, department, board or commission fails to submit an affirmative action plan required under section 46a-68.
 - (e) Any employer whose employees, or any of them, refuse or threaten to refuse to comply with the provisions of section 46a-60 or 46a-81c may file with the commission a written complaint under oath asking for assistance by conciliation or other remedial action.
 - (f) Any complaint filed pursuant to this section must be filed within one hundred [and] eighty days after the alleged act of discrimination, except that any complaint by a person claiming to be aggrieved by a violation of section 46a-60 or 46a-61 must be filed within one hundred eighty days of the complainant's final pay period if the alleged act of discrimination was ongoing or any complaint by a person claiming to be aggrieved by a violation of subsection (a) of section 46a-80 must be filed within thirty days of the alleged act of discrimination.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2009	46a-82

Statement of Purpose:

To clarify the deadline for filing a complaint based upon unfair or discriminatory employment practices.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]